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Subject: FW: Fond du Lac Band permitting interactions

Hey Linda –

Below is a summary of MPCA's interactions with the Fond du Lac Band, as requested. Sorry I didn't get this to you sooner!

Have a great week,
 Shannon

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Shannon,

See below. Let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thanks,
 Jeff

Interactions / Notifications with the Fond du Lac Band on the Development of the NorthMet NPDES/SDS, 401 Certification, and Air Quality Permits

- Formal Tribal Consultation – Meeting at EPA Lab in Duluth
 - Attendees including Band Chairman Dupuis, Band technical staff, Commissioner Stine, Asst. Commission Lotthammer, and MPCA technical staff
 - Consultation held 3-1-18; draft notes from meeting provided for tribal review 4-15-18
- Quarterly Tribal Mining Meeting
 - General permitting update based off MPCA's Quarterly Mining Report– specific permitting or 401 issues not discussed

- Meetings held 2-1-17; 4-27-17; 10-25-17; 1-18-18; 4-18-18; 6-27-18; 10-27-18
- Early Availability of Public Noticed Permits/Certification – 2 Weeks (Water Permit and 401 Certification) and 1 Week (Air Permit) Prior to ‘Official’ Public Notice
 - Provided to Fond du Lac Band, other tribal bands and organizations, and EPA
 - 1-17-18 and 1-24-18 (prior to 1-31-18 public notice)
- Detailed MPCA Responses to Fond du Lac Band Comments on the Draft Water and Air Permits
 - See ‘Water’ Response to Comment document lines 727 to 760 and Air Permit Response to Comment document lines 57 to 82
 - Fond du Lac comments on the draft 401 Certification addressed in the 401 ‘thematic’ Response to Comments
- Fond du Lac Band Staff on Recipient List of Quarterly MPCA ‘GovDelivery’ Emails (with updates of permitting status)
 - List included 7 Fond du Lac Band-related individuals, including water specialist Nancy Schuldt and air specialist Joy Wiecks
 - 14 notifications delivered to recipients since 7-11-16 when permit applications first received
- Access to State of Minnesota Portal and MPCA NorthMet Project Webpage
 - Webpage included quarterly updates with general permitting/certification progress reports
 - Also included pdf’s of permit applications and application updates, key references cited in the applications, and draft, pre-proposed and proposed permit packages

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